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(c) When issuing solicitations and contracts for performance in Afghanistan, follow the procedures at PGI 225.7703–1(c).

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225.7703-2 Determination requirements.

Before use of a procedure specified in 225.7703-1(a), a written determination must be prepared and executed as follows:

- (a) For products or services to be used only by the military forces, police, or other security personnel of Afghanistan, the contracting officer shall—
- (1) Determine in writing that the product or service is to be used only by the military forces, police, or other security personnel of Afghanistan; and
- (2) Include the written determination in the contract file.
- (b) For products or services not limited to use by the military forces, police, or other security personnel of Afghanistan, the following requirements apply:
- (1) The appropriate official specified in paragraph (b)(2) of this subsection must determine in writing that it is in the national security interest of the United States to use a procedure specified in 225.7703–1(a), because—
- (i) The procedure is necessary to provide a stable source of jobs in Afghanistan; and
- (ii) Use of the procedure will not adversely affect—
- (A) Operations in Afghanistan (including security, transition, reconstruction, and humanitarian relief activities); or
- (B) The U.S. industrial base. The authorizing official generally may presume that there will not be an adverse effect on the U.S. industrial base. However, when in doubt, the authorizing official should coordinate with the applicable subject matter expert specified in PGI 225.7703–2(b).
- (2) Determinations may be made for an individual acquisition or a class of acquisitions meeting the criteria in paragraph (b)(1) of this subsection as follows:

- (i) The head of the contacting activity is authorized to make a determination that applies to an individual acquisition with a value of less than \$85.5 million.
- (ii) The Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, and the following officials, without power of redelegation, are authorized to make a determination that applies to an individual acquisition with a value of \$85.5 million or more or to a class of acquisitions:
- (A) Defense Logistics Agency Component Acquisition Executive.
 - (B) Army Acquisition Executive.
 - (C) Navy Acquisition Executive.
 - (D) Air Force Acquisition Executive.
- (E) Commander of the United States Central Command Joint Theater Support Contracting Command (C-JTSCC).
- (3) The contracting officer—
- (i) Shall include the applicable written determination in the contract file; and
- (ii) Shall ensure that each contract action taken pursuant to the authority of a class determination is within the scope of the class determination, and shall document the contract file for each action accordingly.
- (c) See PGI 225.7703-2(c) for formats for use in preparation of the determinations required by this subsection.

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225.7703-3 Evaluating offers.

Evaluate offers submitted in response to solicitations that include the provision at 252.225–7023, Preference for Products or Services from Afghanistan, as follows:

- (a) If the low offer is an offer of a product or service from Afghanistan, award on that offer.
- (b) If there are no offers of a product or service from Afghanistan, award on the low offer.
- (c) Otherwise, apply the evaluation factor specified in the solicitation to the low offer.
- (1) If the price of the low offer of a product or service from Afghanistan is less than the evaluated price of the low offer, award on the low offer of a product or service from Afghanistan.

- (2) If the evaluated price of the low offer remains less than the low offer of a product or service from Afghanistan, award on the low offer.
- (d) For acquisitions in support of the United States Central Command (USCENTCOM), United States European Command (USEUCOM), United States Africa Command (USAFRICOM), United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM), or United States Pacific Command (USPACOM) theater of operations, see PGI 225.7703–3

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225.7703-4 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

- (a) Use the provision at 252.225–7023, Preference for Products or Services from Afghanistan, in solicitations, including solicitations using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, that provide a preference for products or services from Afghanistan in accordance with 225.7703–1(a)(1). The contracting officer may modify the 50 percent evaluation factor in accordance with contracting office procedures.
- (b) Use the clause at 252.225–7024, Requirement for Products or Services from Afghanistan, in solicitations, including solicitations using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, that include the provision at 252.225–7023, Preference for Products or Services from Afghanistan, and in the resulting contract.
- (c) Use the clause at 252.225-7026, Acquisition Restricted to Products or Services from Afghanistan, in solicitations and contracts, including solicitations and contracts using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, that—
- (1) Are restricted to the acquisition of products or services from Afghanistan in accordance with 225.7703–1(a)(2); or
- (2) Will be directed to a particular source or sources from Afghanistan in accordance with 225.7703–1(a)(3).
- (d) Use the clause at 252.225-7029, Acquisition of Uniform Components for Afghan Military or Afghan National Police, in solicitations and contracts, including solicitations and contracts

- using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, for the acquisition of any textile components that DoD intends to supply to the Afghan National Army or the Afghan National Police for purposes of production of uniforms.
- (e) When the Trade Agreements Act applies to the acquisition, use the appropriate clause and provision as prescribed at 225.1101 (5) and (6).
- (f) Do not use any of the following provisions or clauses in solicitations or contracts that include the provision at 252.225–7023, the clause at 252.225–7024, or the clause at 252.225–7026:
- (1) 252.225-7000, Buy American Act—Balance of Payments Program Certificate.
- (2) 252.225-7001, Buy American Act and Balance of Payments Program.
- (3) 252.225-7002, Qualifying Country Sources as Subcontractors.
- (4) 252.225-7035, Buy American Act— Free Trade Agreements—Balance of Payments Program Certificate.
- (5) 252.225–7036, Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Balance of Payments Program.
- (6) 252.225–7044, Balance of Payments Program—Construction Material.
- (7) 252.225-7045, Balance of Payments Program—Construction Material Under Trade Agreements.
- (g) Do not use the following clause or provision in solicitations or contracts that include the clause at 252.225-7026:
- (1) 252.225–7020, Trade Agreements Certificate.
- (2) 252.225-7021, Trade Agreements.

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225.7704 Acquisitions of products and services from South Caucasus/Central and South Asian (SC/CASA) state in support of operations in Afghanistan.

225.7704-1 Applicability of trade agreements.

As authorized by the United States Trade Representative, the Secretary of Defense has waived the prohibition in section 302(a) of the Trade Agreements Act (see subpart 225.4) for acquisitions by DoD, and by GSA on behalf of DoD, of products and services from SC/CASA